Hunting and Trapping

Emergency Order

Under the Authority of AS 16.05.060

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Emergency Order No. 03-05-05

Issued at: Fairbanks, Alaska

September 7, 2005

Effective Date: 11:59 PM

September 9, 2005

Expiration Date: June 30, 2006 unless superseded by subsequent

emergency order

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order closes the portion of state registration permit hunt RM764 for antlerless moose in Zone 6 in Game Management Unit 20A. Zone 6 consists of that portion of Unit 20A bounded on the west by the west bank of Delta Creek, bounded on the north by the north bank of the Tanana River, bounded on the east by the west bank of the Delta River, bounded on the south by the Alaska Range divide (north of Black Rapids Glacier). All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20A are unaffected by this emergency order.

REGULATION:

Therefore, the following regulations in **5AAC 84.045(18)**, **HUNTING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR MOOSE**, are superseded by this emergency order, and the following provisions are in effect for hunting moose:

Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)

Nonresident Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

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Unit 20(A), the Ferry Trail Management Area, Wood River Controlled Use Area, Healy-Lignite Management Area, and the Yanert Controlled Use Area

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

Units and Bag Limits	Resident Open Season (Subsistence and General Hunts)	Nonresident Open Season
RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only; or	Sept. 1 - Dec. 10	
1 bull with spike-fork antler or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; by muzzle-loading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be issued	Nov. 1 - Nov. 30	
NONRESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side; or		Sept. 1 - Sept. 25
1 bull with spike-fork antler or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side by drawing permit only; by muzzle-loading firearms only; up to 75 permits may be issued		Nov. 1 - Nov. 30
Unit 20A, that portion bounded on the west by the west bank of Delta Creek, bounded on the north by the north bank of the Tanana River, bounded on the east by the west bank of the Delta River, bounded on the south by the Alaska Range divide		
RESIDENT HUNTERS: 1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or	Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)	
1 antlerless moose by registration permit only;	Sept. 1 - Sept. 9 (General hunt only)	

Resident	
Open Season	
(Subsistence and	Nonresident
General Hunts)	Open Season

Units and Bag Limits

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side

Sept. 1 - Sept. 25

Remainder of Unit 20(A)

RESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with spike-fork antlers or 50-inch antlers or antlers with 3 or more brow tines on one side; or

Sept. 1 - Sept. 25 (General hunt only)

1 antlerless moose by registration permit only;

Sept. 1 - Dec. 10 (General hunt only)

NONRESIDENT HUNTERS:

1 bull with 50-inch antlers or antlers with 4 or more brow tines on one side

Sept. 1 - Sept. 25

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All other moose hunting regulations in Unit 20A remain unchanged and are not affected by this emergency order.

McKie Campbell Commissioner

By delegation to: _______

Wildlife Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

1. In 2004, the Board of Game authorized an antlerless moose hunt for Unit 20A to run from September 1 through December 10, unless closed by Emergency Order. The Department set a quota of 800 antlerless moose for the 2005 season. To optimize the distribution of the harvest, the department divided Unit 20A in 7 hunt zones and established individual quotas for each zone based on estimated moose abundance. The reported harvest of antlerless moose in Zone 6 in Game Management Unit 20A is expected to reach or exceed the desired harvest level of 25 by midnight on September 9, 2005.